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FOURTH OF JULY.

Next Wednesday occurs the anniversary of American independence, which will be in a manner observed by the youth of this city. We regret there will be no formal celebration of the day by the citizens of Louisville. The proper spirit seems lacking, the causes for which we will not attempt to fathom. We can not feel proud of the fact that those who wish to publicly observe the day will have to leave the city, but such is the sad state of affairs.

DISASTER TO THE VICTORS.

The defeat of the main Boer armies and capture of the Orange Free State and Transvaal capitals, leaving the Boers without a city or position of note, heralded by the English as the end of the war, have not been followed by the disbanding of the Boer forces and submission to British authority. The victory of 300,000 British troops over less than 50,000 Boers has not resulted in the subjugation of the vanquished. The brave resistance by the Boers at times to the overwhelming forces of the invaders seems to have been intended merely to gain time for a safe retreat and the removal of supplies, arms, ammunition, government archives, funds, officials and their families out of reach of the invaders. The capture of Bloemfontein was a barren victory, everything having been removed except the sick prisoners, forcing Roberts to halt till he could obtain supplies from Cape Town, 800 miles away, the route requiring a heavy force to guard the supplies en route. Then after more desperate fighting to gain more time he is allowed to enter Pretoria, only to find it likewise deserted and barren of everything except 2,000 sick and disabled prisoners for him to feed and care for. The Boer government, arms, supplies, ammunition, and even the machinery of the powder mills, had all been removed to no one knows where. Roberts, in possession of the Boer capital, 1,000 miles from Cape Town, with nearly 100,000 men, famished and worn out by almost continuous marching and fighting, must await supplies and even medicine for the sick, from Cape Town; while the Boer army he had driven before him counter-marched around his flanks, attack and defeat the force guarding his only route of communication, scatter them in disastrous defeat, blow up bridges, tear up the railroads, and then lay in wait and capture the supplies sent from Cape Town for his army. His attempt to hasten a junction of forces with Buller, who has advanced under like harassing conditions through Natal to Laings Nek, the key to Transvaal, where he is held in check, thus preventing the union of the British armies, the cutting off of Boer communication and source of supplies by way of neutral territory and opening up this route for supplies to Roberts' army, resulted in the united Boer armies attacking and defeating his advance force and then serving Buller's flying squadron in the same way. Reinforcements arrive to find the Boer armies gone—where? The junction with Buller is not yet formed, the new route for communication for Roberts via Lorenzo Marques is not yet established, and the Boers are not cut off from the world, nor are they likely to be till they have opened up another farther north, out of reach of the British forces. In the meantime communication with Cape Town is only maintained by a large force, contin-

ually menaced, frequently attacked, and supplies and clothing for Roberts' army captured by the Boers, who escape to the mountains.

The Governments of Transvaal and the Orange Free State are still intact in every feature, their armies are in the field and fighting with no indication of surrender, though the location of either the seat of government, the officials, the base of supplies, the number of troops, the resources or future plans are unknown. The status of the governments and their credit do not seem to have been affected in the least, for their agents still buy supplies and munitions in the markets of the world, which continue to arrive at neutral African ports and disappear by unknown routes across the Transvaal frontier. All efforts to find President Kruger or President Steyn to propose terms of surrender have failed, and all offers of such terms to Boer commanders have been promptly rejected. England's declaration that the Boer war is over is not appreciated by the Boers; they seem to hold to the negative side of the proposition, and able to keep up the argument indefinitely with little loss and a minimum of expense. England, to retain the advantage of possession, must maintain in South Africa a large force similar to India, subject to harassing attacks and great loss from battle and climatic disease. This, in view of the results of less than a year's campaign, is sufficient to cause serious apprehension to the British Government. The War Office in its report of the losses to British forces in the Boer war to June 1 gives the number of killed, wounded, prisoners and invalids at 50,000, and the invalids, over 12,000, only include those permanently disabled and sent home, not the thousands in the hospitals and camps in South Africa.

FOUND SHORT.

The straitened condition of England as a military power is manifested in the Chinese situation. The violence and cruelty of the Chinese rebels, murdering foreigners and destroying property, has caused all the foreign powers to unite their forces to protect their interests and subjects. England has furnished a few hundred marines, but she has no troops to send to China. She can spare not a man from South Africa despite the fact "the Boer war is over," nor any from India, just across the border. Marines have been unable to resist the onslaught, and Russia, France, Germany, the United States and Japan are furnishing troops to suppress the insurrection, restore peace and settle the Chinese question. England is not in it. Hence her chagrin, jealousy and fears of other powers. If she can not furnish her quota of troops needed to rescue and protect her subjects in China, what can she do to prevent any movement of her rivals in China or the Far East? The other powers will settle the Eastern question as they may prefer, England to the contrary notwithstanding, with a likelihood of England losing what she has in that region if she seeks to interfere. Her measure has been taken and she has been found short.

The proroguing of the British Parliament has been again postponed. It was expected, indeed it had been intimated, that with the capture of Pretoria the Parliament would be dissolved and the election held, the Government submitting the whole issue to the people. But it is not to be. Despite the enthu-

siastic loyalty of the people in support of the Government policy, indicated by the cockneys at the clubs, the Government really fears the people who do the voting. Defeat of the Government party in a Parliamentary election at this time would be little short of the coup de grace to the British empire. Besides a political campaign would reveal too much of the real condition of affairs, the weakness and insufficiency of the army, the imbecility and blunders of government departments, and finally the dependent condition of England financially and commercially on other nations—a situation with dark forebodings, hard to explain, impossible to justify, and better to avoid alluding to in public—but which would be discussed in a political campaign.

Whatever may be the purpose of the Council in withdrawing from the police and fire departments the \$18,000 derived from back taxes, the resultant curtailing of these forces is neither wise, just nor real economy. The people, especially of the suburbs, want more police and fire protection, and the plea that their taxes will be reduced a cent or two on the \$100 will not be a satisfactory return for what they are entitled to—the peace and safety to their families and homes which only ample and efficient police and fire departments can give to them. There is nothing worse for a community than too much economy, and the Council at times seems subject to such attacks.

Next week we celebrate our second anniversary. During the past two years the growth of the Kentucky Irish American has been steady and gratifying, until today it is read in thousands of homes in preference to any similar local or foreign publication. Its high standard will be maintained and its field of usefulness greatly enlarged as the weeks go by. We have indulged in no idle boasts or threats, always giving the best and freshest news, and that is why we are in the lead in the journalistic field in this section of the country.

The Kentucky Irish American was pleased to have a call yesterday afternoon from Samuel B. Donnelly, President of the International Typographical Union.

THE RISE OF RED MIKE.

Kid with hair like rusted gold Comin' cross the sea from old Ireland in a sailing ship— Took an age to make the trip. Red-faced, freckled, husky boy Tugged in kilts or corduroy, With a brogue so thick 'twas all He could do to let it fall.

Strapping youth of brawny breast Working in the distant West As a section hand, all day Pulling at a pipe of clay, Singing, "Jerry, ile the car," Whistling now and then a bar Of the tunes he used to hear In his little isle so dear.

Miner, red of hair and face, Tramping 'round from place to place, Striking here an' there a lick With an old prospecting pick, All he owns on earth the pack Borne upon his burro's back And the seedy clothes he wears— Mostly patches hiding tears.

Mining king with auburn hair Walking 'round with business air, Shaking hands with men of wealth, All inquiring 'bout his health, Check book in his pocket, and Gold enough in bank to land All his kink on their feet In the shade of Easy street.

Saw a man the other day, Titan hair just tinged with gray. In a carriage by his side Sat a bonnie Irish bride. Diamonds gemmed her breast as they Through the streets were whirled away To a mansion on the hill In the heart of Millionville.

Same red-faced, freckled boy Once done up in corduroy, And the bride the sweetheart he Loved in boyhood o'er the sea. Used to be "Red Mike," but now There would be a jolly row If you'd tack that title to Colonel Michael McAdoo.

THE EFFICACY OF FAITH.

Faith has not only special function with reference to the justification of the individual, but is also the universal bond between the redeemed race and God. It must, therefore, affect the whole soul and be the health of every part, penetrating all the virtues and imparting to them its own unity and stability. It is an adamant which God diffuses through man's whole being. It must enlighten the mind, erect the will, warm and purify the heart, live in every affection, kneel in our humility, endure in our patience.—[Ashby de Vere.

SOCIETY.

Miss Annie McGill will leave during the next month for Paris.

Miss Jennie Hurley has gone to Boston, where she will spend the summer.

Miss Fannie Lilly is visiting in Fairfield, the guest of Miss Nellie Ryan.

Miss Clara Bywater has arrived home from St. Mary's, where she visited Miss Beaver.

Miss Sadie Harlan, of Kansas City, is visiting here as a guest of Mrs. William Chaw.

John Butler, who has been visiting in Chicago for several weeks, arrived home last Monday.

Mrs. Clarence Parsons had as her guest this week Miss Carrie Sullivan and her mother, of Utah.

Mr. Mich Glenn, Sr., accompanied by his son, James P. Glenn, left last week for White Sulphur Springs.

Frank G. Cunningham will arrive here from St. Louis next week to spend several days among his friends.

Nicholas Smith's friends will read with regret the announcement of his illness at his residence on Bertrand avenue.

Mrs. Robert O'Connell, Portland, is home again, after a delightful visit with friends and relatives at Lagrange.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McCann, of Springfield, Mo., were this week the guests of Mrs. M. T. McCann in Jeffersonville.

Miss Margaret Sweeney, Principal of the Smyzer avenue school, will spend a large share of her vacation in the East.

Miss Carrie Morgan leaves today on a trip to English, Ind., where she will spend her vacation for the next month or two.

Miss Rita Hayes, one of the handsomest women in Richmond, is expected here next week to visit her sister, Mrs. Ewing Eches.

Pat Delaney, the well-known Hibernian, has as his guest his sister-in-law, who arrived in this city from Ireland last Tuesday night.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Nellie Glass and Edward Smith, the well-known laundryman. The wedding will take place July 18.

Tom Broderick returned Tuesday from a visit to Indiana, where he had been the guest of David Welsh, who resides several miles back of New Albany.

Jack O'Connor, one of Louisville's best known Irish-American citizens, arrived home yesterday from Chicago, where he attended the Prohibition convention.

John Quilligan's many friends will regret to learn that he has been confined to his home in Clifton for the past two weeks, suffering from an attack of the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gavin, of 1809 West Broadway, entertained Thursday afternoon and night with a birthday party in honor of their daughter, Margaret.

Officer Edward Callahan and bride, nee Miss Nell McElliot, have commenced housekeeping at 708 West Kentucky street, where they will be pleased to see their friends.

Miss Elizabeth Walsh, supervisor of primary work in our city schools, will leave for New York next week, where she will attend the Columbia University during the summer.

John J. Barry will leave Monday on a trip to Kansas City, where during the convention week he will be the guest of John T. Chaw; a well-known Louisville boy who is located there.

Misses Marie and Annette McNamara, two pretty and attractive Lexington girls, have returned to their home, after a pleasant week with their aunt, Mrs. J. Sexton, on Oldham street.

John McCormick's friends are authority for the statement that his name will soon appear in the list of marriage licenses in connection with a popular young lady of South Third street.

Cosmas Meagher, the well-known grocery man, who has been ill for some time, is now up and able to be around, but seems to have transferred his illness to his cousin Andy Meagher, who has been laid up since "Cos's" recovery.

Matt Cassin entertained quite a number of his friends at his residence on Twenty-first street last Sunday, the occasion being the christening of his new and handsome boy, who was named after Charles Allen, one of Jeffersonville's leading young men.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Kolb left the city Wednesday for a month's visit with friends and relatives in Baltimore and Eastern cities. While in Baltimore they will be the guests of Mr. Kolb's brother who is one of the leading attorneys of Maryland.

J. E. Brown, well-known as the Mayor of Sligo; Con Hallahan, who recently retired from business with a comfortable competency, and P. J. O'Hare will leave Wednesday for Reelfoot Lake, where they will spend ten days hunting and fishing. All are enthusiastic disciples of Isaac Walton.

Little Misses Virginia Cowan, Helen McDonald, Rosa Mullaney, May Cowan, Susie Mullaney, Josie O'Connell and Master Edward Cowan had a merry outing at Shawnee Park last Monday. They were chaperoned by Miss Annie McDonald. These juvenile parties are becoming exceedingly popular.

There is great rejoicing at the home of Thomas Hines, 1528 Payne Street, over

the safe arrival Thursday morning of a handsome baby girl. After her christening at St. Bridget's church a reception will be held at the family residence in her honor. Both mother and child are doing well, and the happy father will return to work Monday.

Miss Mary Brown and John Callahan were married Wednesday morning at the parsonage on the Bardston road, after which they came to the city and were tendered a reception at Ninth and Oak. The bride is well known in Irish society circles, as is also the lucky groom, who is being warmly congratulated upon winning so charming a life partner.

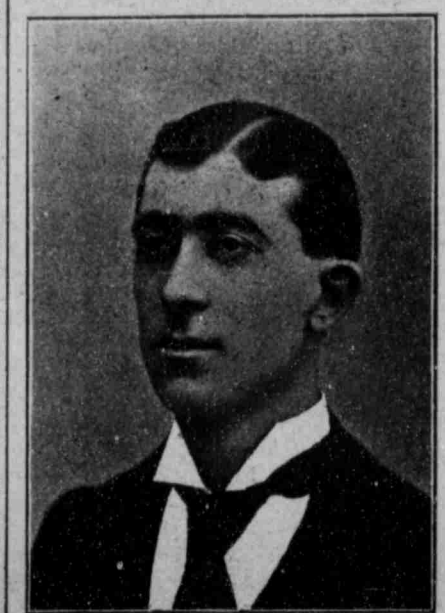
The marriage of Miss Mayne Ratterman and Henry Siebel, Jr., was solemnized at the Cathedral Thursday morning. Owing to sickness in the groom's family the wedding was very quiet. The contracting parties are well known and popular young people, who have the best wishes of large numbers of friends for a happy and prosperous journey through life.

Misses Kate and Agnes Shaughnessy, two well-known and popular young ladies who have made this city their home for some years past, are spending the summer in Ireland, where they went to visit their aged mother, residing in Galway. They are expected to return in October, when they will reside with their brother, John Shaughnessy, well-known in local railroad circles.

Edward Cowan, the well-known tailor, who has been located at Dayton for some months past, will arrive here this evening for his summer vacation and to attend the initiation tomorrow of sixty into the Knights of Columbus. He will be accompanied by Chris Sweetman, a leading citizen of Dayton, also a Knight of Columbus and prominent Hibernian, who represented his city at the Boston convention.

WILLIAM DELANEY.

William Delaney, whose likeness appears in this issue, is one of several young Irish-Americans who have established



themselves in business in the last several years. Mr. Delaney is a glass-blower by trade, and was employed at Muncie, Ind., for several years, but returned to his first love (Limerick) about three years ago and opened a wet wools exchange at the southwest corner of Seventh and St. Catherine, where he is now located. Delaney is a well-known friend of union labor and is also prominently identified with the Ancient Order of Hibernians, being of member of Division 4.

FATHER WHITE'S PICNIC.

The congregation of St. Francis of Rome church, Rev. Father White rector, have secured Phoenix Hill Park for the annual picnic in August. This year the programme will be diversified and the thousands of friends of the Clifton church should make it a big success.

TO CLEAN A BOTTLE.

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How the "bums" levied McCusker's decree in the historic town of Derrgonally, from the Donegal Independent of June 1: "There were scenes in the vicinity of Derrgonally on May 30 as would have delighted the heart of Dickens or Lover. There were decrees issued at the suit of Mrs. Mary McCusker, of Trillick, to be levied and three bailiffs (two of whom were our old friends Johnstone and Rooney, of Enniskillen), were to do the work. They drove to the residence of the delinquents, arriving there at 5 o'clock in the morning. Somebody besides the bailiffs were awake, for on their arrival the only asset was a broken-legged, featherless hen and household furniture the value of which, according to the versatile Rooney, would be about 'thruppence.' One of the bailiffs was assaulted, but that is nothing. Toward midnight the bailiffs again returned to the scene, but things were as before, with the exception that the asset of the maidened hen had been supplemented by a harmless cat."

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